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FOR DIGITAL SIMULATION PROCESSES

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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**  
**(37 C.F.R. § 1.114 AND § 1.121)**

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Dear Sir:

In response to a "FINAL" Office Action dated July 9, 2007 and also a "Supplemental" Advisory Action dated November 16, 2007, Applicants hereby submit this "Amendment and Request for Continued Examination (RCE)" for their above-referenced Application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and § 1.121. In submitting this Amendment and RCE, Applicants hereby request withdrawal of their "Notice of Appeal" dated November 1, 2007 and further request that prosecution of the present Application be reopened. At the present time, therefore, please amend the Application as hereinafter indicated.